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SUMMARY.

The "Temps" fears that the relations between Great Britain and Russia have been greatly strained.

Count Lamsdorf told an Ambassador that Russia did not intend to allow Great Britain full freedom in Tibet.

He stated that Russia would make friends with Japan in order to retaliate on Great Britain.

The Japanese have loaded hundreds of cases of artillery and ammunition at Chemulpo, and intend to send guns and munitions to Seoul.

The "Temps" says the Japanese of Inchon are taking to rise, hoping for a pretext to interfere in Korean affairs.

No actual offer of mediation has been made in the Russo-Japanese war.

The Mikado has informed Great Britain, the United States, and Germany that a proposal for mediation would not meet with Japan's approval.

The "Temps" announces that Count Lamsdorf has resumed the direction of Russian policy in the Far East.

He has made a tabula rasa of everything since Admiral Alexeev's appointment, and he offers Japan the same treatment as others in Manchuria.

The "Times" says that if the statement by the "Temps" is true, it is a proof that the Russian policy is to be changed.

Russia is quietly occupying positions on the Manchurian side of the Yalu.

The Japanese at Vladivostok are suffering severely at the hands of the Russian army.

It is probable that they will all leave the country.

Official reports show that the Siberian-Manchurian railway cost about £24,000,000.

The Government has agreed to postpone the issue of the first £10,000,000 of the Transvaal contribution loan guaranteed by the principal South African mineowners.

A tornado has wrecked the business portion of 300 houses in a small town in Alabama.

Seventy persons were killed and 100 others injured.

The Vienna municipal body has resolved to ask the Government on what conditions the importation of American, Australian, and Argentine meat will be permitted.

During a fire at Alnsund, Norway, a street completely destroyed the town.

The damage is estimated at £1,000,000, and 100,000 people have been rendered homeless.

Brigades stopped and boarded the Southern Pacific train in California, and stole \$50,000.

The Russo-Chinese Bank at Tientsin has been destroyed by fire.

Eleven trains and 300 passengers are snow-bound between Rome and Waterloo, New York.

Mr. Asquith, at Southampton, said that there was a decline in British trade which was due in nine cases out of ten to defective and curable methods.

Anniversary day will be celebrated to-morrow.

The calling for the Ryds election resulted in the return of Mr. Terry (Independent) by a majority of 54 over Mr. Henley (Reformer).

The voting was as follows: Mr. Terry, 1136; Mr. Henley, 1082; Informal, 19.

It was apparent throughout the election that personal rather than political considerations weighed with the electors.

The State Treasurer intimates that he will use his influence to have appeals against land valuations settled without reference to the Court.

The Railway Commission state that as the complaints of the Transvaal men are sub judice, they will not make a statement upon the matter.

The Government intends, for the benefit of the Transvaal, to establish branch savings banks at the shipping offices.

Mr. Seddon denies the cable announcement that the Transvaal Government has decided to inform the proposed new steamer service.

Leading United States Consul at Newcastle, says that as American oil wells are giving out, the market for coal has improved.

At the end of December £225,000 was the total vote of £250,000 was made, and instructions have been given to have this sum fully advanced.

The Melbourne Trades Hall Council has expressed alarm and indignation at the proposal to introduce Chinese into the Transvaal.

The East Griek mine proprietors have notified the employees of a reduction in wages.

The experiment of lighting Port Adelaide River beacons with electricity is pronounced a success.

At the Roman Catholic primary schools prize distribution Cardinal Moran urged the importance of the effect of religious training on the character of the child.

Mr. E. Trevelyan, who has returned from England, says that great strides are being made in shipbuilding.

He also says that England has never been in a more prosperous condition than at present, and there is plenty of work for men who want it.

The German National Festival took place on Saturday at Caberlin, where the German people were delivered expressing warm regard by the German residents for their adopted country, the Commonwealth.

The position in regard to the strike of real-estate men in the Terah district is unaltered.

The Balmian Hotel was closed on Saturday, and proved to be a very fine musical festival, in which the competitors were representative of the States.

Levuka, P.O., has been greatly damaged by a hurricane, which is reported to have been the worst in the history of the islands.

All the craft in Levuka harbour have disappeared, but no deaths of Europeans are reported.

The Norwegian ketch, Maria, which was half loaded with copper, parried anchor, and became a total wreck.

The new coastal steamer Alk Keva, valued at £4000, went ashore at Nankorok, and also became a total wreck.

The ketch Alice and several smaller craft are missing.

A number of natives have been drowned, and some other casualties are reported.

The schooner Annie Brown was dashed to pieces on the rocky shore of one of the islands of the New Hebrides.

The Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron's open race on Saturday, having secured a quantity of gear, including the Challenger, was won by Mr. G. Hopper, Jun., of the "Hesperus."

The cricket match, Victoria v. New South Wales, will commence on the Sydney Cricket Ground to-day.

The English team of cricketers are in Tasmania.

At the Balmian Swimming Club's carnival on Saturday, the Challenger, the champion of the New South Wales, was defeated by the "Hesperus."

At Newcastle Bicycle Club's Sports on Saturday, the "Hesperus" won the mile scratch race, Don Walker being second, and Scherpe third.

Business was quiet on the Stock Exchange on Saturday, and prices were unchanged.

The price of coal in Melbourne has declined by 2s. 6d. to 4s. 6d. per ton.

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EDUCATION AND RELIGION.

SPEECH BY CARDINAL MORAN.

The certificates and prizes won by the scholars of the Roman Catholic high school examinations, held in November last, were distributed on Saturday afternoon in the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist by Cardinal Moran.

There was an attendance of some 500 hundreds of children with teachers and parents. The Cardinal presided from the platform, in addition to the Cardinal were Archbishop Kelly, Monsignor Carrigan, and several members of the priesthood.

Cardinal Moran said that the results of the examinations were a source of great satisfaction. He was a proof that the children had devoted themselves to study, and that their parents had supported them in the pursuit of the various studies in which they were engaged.

He said that the Roman Catholic religious schools were carrying on a grand work, and that the children of the Catholic community in Australia. Sometimes in the public press there was debate as to the relative success of the various religious schools, and he must confess that in these case moonshine and prejudice were the only factors. He said that the great deal of what they must call moonshine and prejudice that followed from no proper studies formulated not facts that led to no conclusions, but that they were not to be taken into that controversy just now.

He said that the children must be educated and they were that in making into account the Christian civilisation of any great State the education of the children was the first and foremost moral progress, and religious progress. With out these three factors it was vain to say that a State was making progress, and that the State. Intellectual progress made the agree-

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present year the number was 202. The number of children engaged in the examination this year was the largest on record. He found from reports submitted to him that the number of children entered for the examination was 1951, while the actual competitors were 1845. (Applause.) He hoped every year would be a record year, and that the number would go on increasing. (Loud applause.)

The prizes and certificates, numbering several hundreds, were then distributed.

Mr. Geo. Day, M.L.C., congratulated the prize-winners on their success.

**CARDINAL MORAN'S SACRED
DOTAL JUBILEE.**

A meeting of the people of St. Mary's Cathedral parish was held yesterday afternoon to confer as to preliminary arrangements concerning the part to be taken by Catholics in the public worship of the Cathedral. Fr. Cardinal Moran presided, and among the present were Monsignor O'Haran and several members of the priesthood, also Sir William P. Manning, Messrs. T. M. Slattery, M.L.A. Dr. Naah, M.L.C., Colonel Lassetter, Flynn, Mr. E. O'Farrell, and many others. Fr. Cardinal Moran delivered an historic speech with regard to the institution of Catholic worship in Australia, and said it was not until 1829 that permission was given for Catholics to take part in public worship. He then dwelt on the principal associations connected with

Church and its progress since that time also with the many providential ways in which success had been secured. The Rev. Father Therry was the first priest in Australia. He was a parish was the whole continent, and he proved himself a staunch priest. Proceeding with his address, he indicated the successive steps by which the Church had grown to the present proportions, and referred to the burning of the old Cathedral building between 30 and 40 years ago. Turning to the present day, he said, looking back upon it in the light of present day knowledge was somewhat in the nature of a providential one. He pointed to the class of buildings around it was suited for the chief cathedral it was in Sydney. Up to this point his own arrival in the city had been a sum of about £100.

On the motion of Sir William Manning, a resolution was passed recommending that a subscription list be opened. A number of names were received, including the following:—Cardinal Moran, £500; Mr. J. J. Lee, £105; Lasseter and Co., £100; St. Mary's Girls' School, £10; Mrs. Dwyer, £100; Mr. T. J. Dalton, £10; the Sisters of Mercy, North Sydney, £10; Mrs. Gell, £25; Miss Fanny Gell, £25; Mrs. Gell, £25; Mrs. Gell, £25; Mrs. Gell, £25. When the list was closed in the room it was announced that the total sum collected was £1,210.

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at their well-known Haymarket store, between January 17 and February 19. This is the period which has come to be known as "a famous fixture." The first date marks the opening of a great sale—the second is the date upon which it absolutely closes and the supply of bargains is immediately cut off. For the convenience of shoppers Messrs. Anthony Horners and Sons have sent out printed price-lists. They describe bargains every department—drapery, grocery, ironmongery, etc., boys' tunics and wire netting, curtains and electrical goods, pictures and poultry gear. Both the departments of tobacco—in fact, all the departments of a universal provider's store furnish tempting bargains.

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